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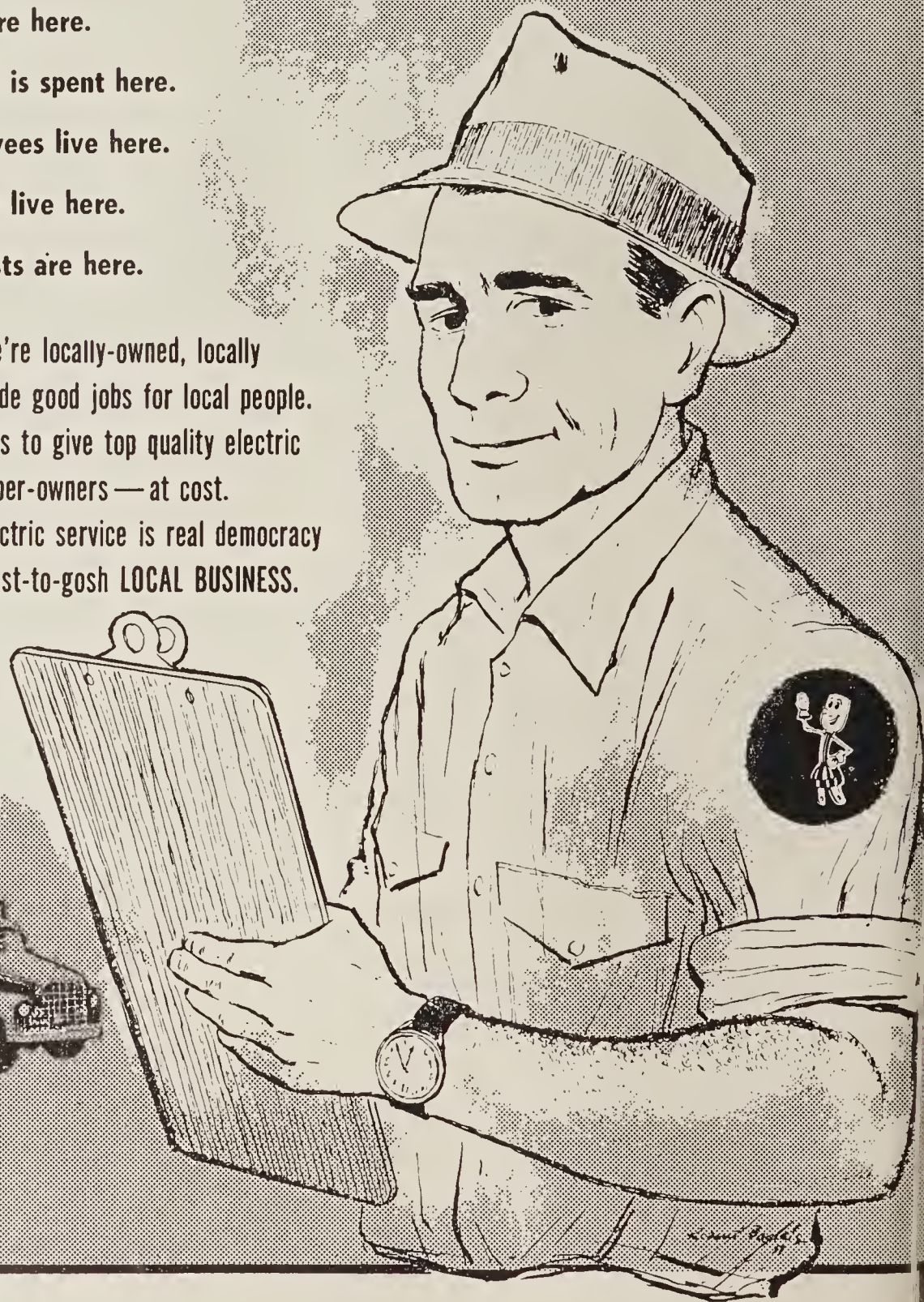
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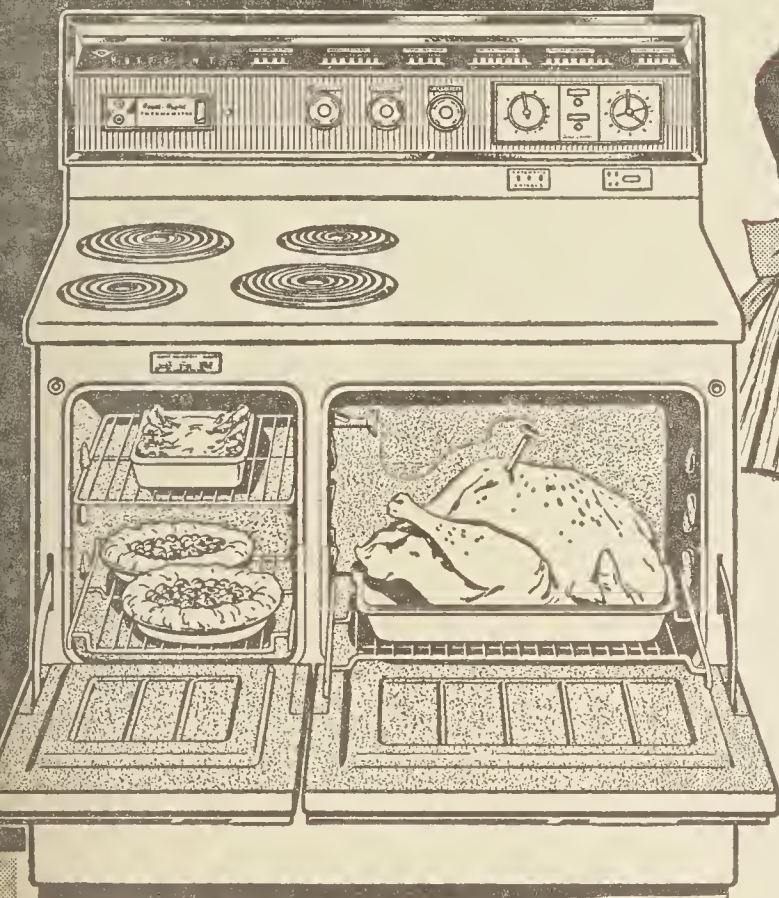
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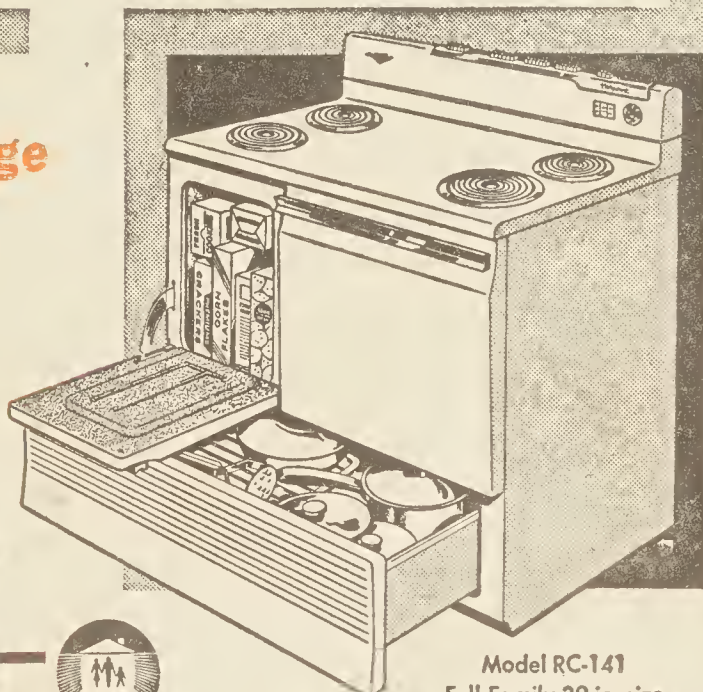
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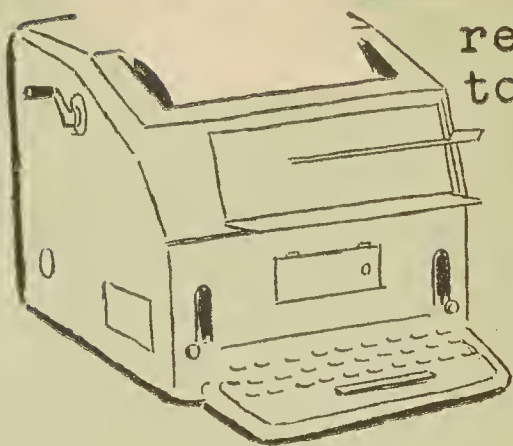
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BRIEF



reports on events of importance
to rural electric co-op members

A NORTH CAROLINA TELEPHONE COMPANY has been accused of welching on a promise that enabled it to obtain a million-dollar loan from REA. Mason L. Merrill, a retired journalist now living on a phoneless farm at Mill Spring, N. C. reported to Rural Electrification Magazine that Thermal Belt Telephone Company of Tryon hadn't been honest with the rural people whose help it sought in obtaining the loan. According to Merrill, on December 4, 1957, Thermal Belt borrowed \$1,017,000 from REA "to improve and expand telephone service in Polk County, N. C. and in Spartanburg County and a fringe area of Greenville County in South Carolina." Prior to the loan, Thermal Belt representatives called on Mill Spring residents and promised that if "sufficient" phones to warrant 60 pairs of lines were signed up, they would install a substation at Mill Spring. A total of 223 subscribers were signed for party service, for an aggregate of 81 pairs of lines.

IN AUGUST THE COMPANY CALLED A MEETING of Mill Spring residents and informed them they were not going to get a substation. Thermal Belt cancelled all the original applications. The company's officials then asked the Mill Spring people to sign new applications at much higher rates, in order to receive service from a substation at Columbus. Because most of the residents cannot afford to pay mileage from Columbus, 5 miles away, they now have a choice of going without service, or accepting 8-party service which is almost the same as having no phone. Clyde Ellis, general manager of National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, called the Merrill report "the best documented case in a long while of a telephone company borrowing money from REA and then not using it for providing area coverage."

CAROLINA FARMER'S ASSISTANT EDITOR was the only woman to address a general session of the biennial Congress of the Cooperative League of the United States last month. Rebekah Riverson, whose primary duties are editing the homemaking pages of CF, spoke at Minneapolis, Minn. on September 11. Others on the program included Murray Lincoln, president of the League; president of Nationwide Insurance Company; Jerry Voorhis, executive secretary of the organization; Orville Freeman, governor of Minnesota; Clyde Ellis, general manager of National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; and T. C. Douglas, Premier of Saskatchewan and its minister of cooperatives.

NORTH CAROLINA'S UTILITIES COMMISSION should be reduced from five to three members, according to the Commission on Reorganization of State Government. Money saved by reducing the board would be used to give raises to the remaining three, an increase that allegedly would attract better men to the Commission.

CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY has been allowed to postpone a previously ordered rate reduction pending outcome of a court case. Both CP&L and attorneys for the industrial customers who sought a rate reduction have given notice of appeal from a Utilities Commission decision granting the customers \$366,000 a year in rate relief. The customers appealed because they didn't think the relief was enough. They had asked elimination of a rider which ties industrial rates to the price of coal. The Commission didn't eliminate it, but did reduce its effect.

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Dear Reader:

FRIEND OF MINE NAMED SAM has a talent. He is a political barometer. That he's almost invariably wrong in predicting outcome of elections, especially in primary elections and conventions. Should you want to place bet, ask Sam's opinion, then forget you've ever heard of the guy he picks.

The fault in Sam's predictions is couched in belief that people will vote for the candidate whose record reveals him to be the most intelligent, honest, fearless, liberal man in the field. Liberal in the sense that he can be counted on to vote for the Townsend Plan and free trade, and that he is willing to examine new ideas.

OCCASIONALLY, A COMBINATION of these qualities and a talent for practical politics appear in one man, and then Sam's value as a barometer breaks down. This is accidental, and Sam refuses to recognize anything but the present qualifications of the candidates.

HE KNEW WHAT WAS GOING ON down in the precincts, where the burning issues are more understandable than our China policy, he took a risk being right more often than wrong.

During the Umstead-Olive campaign, I was acquainted with a practical fellow who worked himself into a hospital rounding up votes for a man about whom I knew almost nothing about. Why? Well, our editor harbored the ambition to go into the used car business, but he didn't have the necessary capital or money to obtain one. If he could win his township, The Organization promised him a county job that carried with it the free use of a nice, big lot fronting on a busy highway.

PERSONAL ATTENTION to the voters is sometimes more important than organization, and can pay off even in defeat. We know a man (without organized backing) who hasn't had a funeral in his county for 40 years. He was elected to high office and served three terms before his defeat. He turned the loss into victory by becoming a tombstone salesman and is doing quite well. For which I am glad. He also remembered my name.

J. C. Brown Jr.
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ABOUT THE COVER — Anxious to beat the drums for the State Fair, October 14-18, we narrowed our cover picture possibilities down to a pretty baton twirler in fancy underwear, and a serious young farm girl grooming her cow for showing. Our choice might make the late Professor Kinsey raise his eyebrows, but we maintain it depicts the spirit of the Fair better than a baton twirler. Fortunately, Fairgoers don't have to make the choice. They can see baton twirlers and dairy show showers at the Fair.



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BOX

Electric Brooding

I have recently built a broiler house 40 x 220, and have broilers in it now. I have no heat now, but will have it later in the Fall. I was considering gas. If I do use electricity, what about the power going off for as long as 3 or 4 hours? Please write and give me all particulars on the electric brooders.

Mrs. R. F. Bowles
 Mt. Gilead, Rt. 3

I am interested in brooding with electric brooders. At present, I am brooding 15,000 with kerosene and I am not satisfied with it.

I read your article in the *Carolina Farmer* on electric brooding, and was very interested in it. Will electric brooders furnish enough heat in the real cold winter? I would appreciate any information you could send me.

Herbert Webb
 Rockingham, Rt. 1

Concerning the article on electric brooding, what provisions are made in case the electricity is off for several hours during the winter? Wouldn't you have to have some kind of auxiliary generator?

Reid G. Garris
 Rockingham

We've had many inquiries about electric brooding since our August issue, which carried a story about the A. R. Wood brooder used successfully by many members of Four County Electric Membership Corporation. Most of these letters showed a concern about power failures and inquired about capacity. Charles L. Overman, our power use director, passes along the following information:

"Install 12 of these brooders for 10,000 chicks. Each brooder has a capacity of 500 chicks, but toward the latter part of the brooding period, space becomes very limited and therefore two extra brooders are recommended, particularly for cold weather brooding. With respect to a power outage, these brooders are capable of

holding a certain amount of heat should the power go off. The heat beneath the hover will drop probably about 10 degrees per hour until it reaches 70 degrees. Thereafter, the drop is much slower. In most instances power outages do not occur as frequently in cold weather (where brooder heat is really needed) as they do in the warm spring, summer, or early fall months (when little heat is needed).

"In 2½ years I spent working with poultry in the mountains where the temperature gets quite low in the winter, I know of only one instance out of perhaps 20 or 30 where a man actually lost chickens from a power outage. In that case, the house was open and there was a free draft blowing through the house which carried the heat away from the brooder. Even with circumstances the way they were, the man's power was back in about an hour and he had only lost about 50 chickens out of 5,000. In his building been tightly constructed I doubt he would have lost a single chick from power outage.

"Some poultrymen do use an auxiliary generator but they generally feel that the cost of the generator is not economically feasible in their operation."

Camp Cherryfield

You will be interested to know we are beginning to get inquiries as a result of your magazine; and greatly appreciate the boost you have given us. (CF, September)

We are already planning for next year and have in mind a seminar on the subject, "Living in the Modern Age," which will include discussions on such topics as: "More Years of Good Living," "Health After Age 40," "Developing New Creative Interests," and "Pre-Retirement Planning." Frances Clay, who is on the faculty of the University of Tennessee School of Social Work, will conduct this seminar. We are also interested in adding photography instruction to our activities.

Again, we greatly appreciate the space and time and energy you have devoted to Camp Cherryfield.

Louise Blackwell, Director
 Camp Cherryfield for
 Brevard

This morning, for the first time, we received a copy of the *Carolina Farmer*. I find something in it.

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'that's nice, but

How Did You Vote on Rural Electrification'

*North Carolina's candidates
for Congress answer
2 pertinent questions*

AS summer wandered into the first warm days of autumn, a new note of friendliness hung in the balmy North Carolina air. Tobacco was selling nicely, cows were freshening on schedule for the fall milk base, the youngsters hadn't tired of school yet, and politicians with sincere smiles, firm handshakes, clear eyes and fantastic memories for names, were sending their biennial love calls at country stores, farm meetings, family reunions, and funerals.

Before election day on November 4, a congressman hopes to convince voters that while in Washington he remained honest, fearless, and intelligent to no man, and spent 32 hours a day doing nothing but representing the people of his district. And, of course, his opponent is just as insistent that if the voters return this man to Congress, they can expect nothing but hurricanes, locust plagues, war, and an increase in taxes; only new blood can save the country from chaos, he maintains.

In some areas of political claims, the voters could go to the record to find out whether the incumbent was as honest as he said. In others, he could ask the candidate some pertinent questions.

As it always does in election years, the *Carolina Farmer* has asked con-

gressional candidates two questions that are pertinent to rural electrification and therefore significant to the 138,000 co-op power users who subscribe to this publication. We also hauled out the record votes (on rural electrification and related issues) of incumbent candidates, graded each vote as favorable or unfavorable, and on the following pages report our findings.

QUESTIONS ASKED EACH candidate were the same asked of primary hopefuls, with one deletion. Last May, *CF* asked how they would vote on federal development of Hell's Canyon. The question has since been resolved (unfavorably), and there's little likelihood that future crops of congressmen will have a chance to vote on it.

But the other two questions are still live ones, and how the answers are translated into votes may help determine the future availability of low-cost cooperative power. The questions, and explanatory material furnished the candidates, follow:

1. *Under present conditions would you oppose the adoption of legislation that would send rural electric cooperatives to the private money market for loan funds?*

(Editor's note: Ever since the REA Act was passed in 1936, Congress has authorized enough loan funds for REA

to meet the borrowing needs of electric cooperatives. President Eisenhower has recommended legislation whereby REA would provide only part of the needed loan funds, the remainder to come from private loan sources. One of the results of this legislation unquestionably would be to increase the interest charges on such loans from the present rate of 2% up to as much as 6%).

2. *Would you support the 52-year-old "preference" principle whereby non-profit cooperative and municipal electric systems are accorded first opportunity to buy all surplus power generated at federal power projects?*

(Editor's note: The non-profit systems are not given preference in price, but first opportunity to buy the power. Being able to purchase federal power has often strengthened the bargaining position of the cooperatives and municipalities in what would otherwise be a wholesale power monopoly.)

There are congressional contests in eight of the state's 12 districts, and *CF* polled the 16 candidates involved. Seven candidates answered the questions, nine did not; but of these nine, three have established voting records which speak eloquently of their attitudes toward rural electrification.

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the questions

QUESTION 1: Under present conditions would you oppose the adoption of legislation that would send rural electric cooperatives to the private money market for loan funds?

QUESTION 2: Would you support the 52-year-old "preference" principle whereby non-profit cooperative and municipal electric systems are accorded first opportunity to buy all surplus power generated at federal power projects?

It is the feeling of Tarheel Electric Membership Association that "Yes" answers to both questions would be in the best interests of rural electrification.

the candidates' answers

3rd District. Neither incumbent Graham A. Barden of New Bern, nor his opponent, Joe A. Dunn of Clinton, answered the questions.

However, Barden has cast record votes on matters basic to rural electrification 21 times. He voted favorably (in the opinion of Tarheel Electric Membership Association) 16 times, unfavorably 5 times, for a score of 76%. He did not vote six times.

Among the voters who will choose between Barden and Dunn are many members of these electric co-ops: Carteret-Craven; Four-County; Jones-Onslow; South River; and Tri-County.

4th District. Rep. Harold Cooley of Nashville is opposed by L. T. Dark, Jr. of Siler City. Dark did not answer the questions.

Cooley answered both questions "yes," and he holds the most favorable voting record on rural electrification of any North Carolina congressman. With 19 favorable votes out of a total of 23 cast, his average is 83%. He voted unfavorably four times, and missed



COOLEY

four opportunities to vote.

Co-ops serving in the 4th District are Wake, Randolph, Central, South River, and Tri-County EMC's.

5th District. Rep. Ralph Scott of Danbury and his opponent, William E. Morrow of Winston-Salem, both answered the questions.

Scott answered "yes" to each. He has cast seven record votes on rural electrification issues, five of them favorable, two unfavorable, for a 71% favorable record.

Morrow said "no" on the first question, and on the second qualified his answer: "I would support the preference of first opportunity for non-profit co-ops and municipal electric systems to purchase the first 50% of SUR-

PLUS power only."

This district encompasses much of the membership of Piedmont, Surry-Yadkin, and Davidson Electric Membership Corporations.



MALPASS



LENNON

7th District. Rep. Alton Lennon and challenger C. Dana Malpass, both of Wilmington, separated sharply on their answers to the questions.

Lennon answered "yes" to each, while Malpass gave indirect answers that left little doubt about where he stood. Lennon, as both a senator and representative, has cast 22 record votes on issues pertaining to rural electrification. With 12 favorable and 10 unfavorable, he voted favorably 56% of the time.

Malpass wrote, in answer to the first question, "I am unalterably opposed to competition of government with private industry, individual op-

portunity, individual initiative. I do support government regulation, however. Government interference, and control, with private industry will lead to the ultimate of socialism.

And on the second question, "Federal power projects are physical evidences of a trend to national socialism. I cannot conceive of the operation of a non-profit cooperative or municipal electric or gas system. The public, or consumer, or both, are always taxed with a profit."

Malpass added, "Woodrow Wilson said, 'I am a Democrat.' C. Dana Malpass says, 'I am a Republican.'"

Co-ops operating in the 7th District are Brunswick, Four County, Lumb River, South River, and Central.

8th District. Rep. A. Paul Kitchin of Wadesboro answered the questions, challenger F. D. B. Harding of Yadkinville did not.

Kitchin commented on the first, "I am for loans from government only at the smallest interest rate profitable. He answered "yes" to the second. His record votes on rural electrification matters total seven, with five favorable and two unfavorable, giving him 71%.

Co-ops with members in the 8th include Pee Dee, Union, Cornelia, Davidson, Davie, Randolph, Central, Lumb River, Surry-Yadkin, and Bladen Ridge.

9th District. Rep. Hugh Q. Alexander of Kannapolis did not answer the questions. His opponent, William E. White of Taylorsville, answered both questions "yes."



ALEXANDER

Alexander has cast 18 record votes on rural electrification, with nine favorable and nine unfavorable. He missed one opportunity to vote.

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HERE'S HOW THE INCUMBENTS VOTED

Votes in Color Considered Favorable by Tarheel Electric Membership Association
Y-Yea; N-Nay; X-Paired For; O-Not Voting

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE (Senate Votes)	LENNON	COOLEY	BARDEN	ALEXANDER	JONAS	SCOTT	KITCHIN
1. Amendment to add \$35 million to REA electric loan funds in 1955	Y						
2. To prevent reconsideration of above omendment	Y						
3. Amendment to add another \$35 million to REA loan funds	N						
4. Amendment to give non-profit cooperatives and public badies first call ("preference") in buying power from Priest Rapids federal dom	N						
5. Amendment (to Atomic Energy Act of 1954) to prevent AEC from signing Dixon-Yates contract	N						
6. To prevent reconsideration of an amendment that legalized Dixon-Yates	Y						
7. Amendment (to Atomic Energy Act of 1954) to permit AEC to produce electricity and market it with preference to cooperatives and other non-profit bodies	Y						
8. To permit reconsideration of above amendment	Y						
9. To kill (1954 Atomic Energy Act) amendment enobling AEC to require atomic potent shoring when in the public interest	N						
0. To kill amendment permitting AEC to require atomic patent sharing up to 15 years	N						
1. Amendment to create committee to advise on the use of civilion atomic power	N						
2. Amendment to place AEC-licensed commerial power producers under Federal Power Act regulation	N						
3. Atamic Energy Act of 1954, as omended by Senote. (Act failed to safeguord public interest)	Y						
4. To accept House-Senote committee report on Atomic Energy Act of 1954. (Report weakened preference clause, potent-sharing)	N						
5. Final passage of Atomic Energy Act of 1954. (Act failed to safe-guard public interest)	Y						
GISLATIVE MEASURE (House Votes)							
1. To add \$10 million in REA loan funds for 1944							
2. To restore \$25 million in REA loan funds for 1948 which hod been deleted in committee		Y	O				
3. To increase REA loan funds for 1948 by \$25 million, which the Senote had already done		Y	Y				
4. To appropriate an additional \$300 million in REA loan funds for 1948		Y	Y				
5. To appropariate an additional \$100 million in REA loan funds for 1948		O	Y				
6. To appropriate an additional \$450,000 for REA's administrative ex-penses far 1949		Y	Y				
7. To pass the bill setting up rural telephone program		Y	Y				
8. To kill an Interior Department appropriation of \$3,400,000 with which transmission lines fram Kerr Dam could have been built to ring power to cooperatives		Y	Y				

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE (House Votes)

	LENNON	COOLEY	BARDEN	ALEXANDER	JONAS	SCOTT	KITCHIN
9. To return Interior Appropriations Bill of 1954 to committee with instructions to increase spending authority for marketing power to co-ops		O	N	N	N		
10. To return to committee (reject) bill to give Niagara water power to commercial power companies		O	O	N	N		
11. To pass above Niagara bill		O	O	Y	Y		
12. Amendment (to Atomic Energy Act of 1954) permitting patent owners to deny their use to others, thereby paving way for atomic energy monopoly		N	N	Y	Y		
13. To return to committee the 1954 Atomic Energy Act that excluded rural electric cooperatives from participation		Y	Y	N	N		
14. Atomic Energy Act of 1954 without amendments protecting public interest		N	N	Y	Y		
15. For at least 2 hours debate on Frying Pan-Arkansas federal power project		N	N	N	N		
16. To accept Senate-House report on Public Works Appropriations of 1956 which included power projects		Y	Y	Y	N		
17. To kill bill directing AEC to speed atomic energy program		N	N	N	Y		
18. To return to committee (reject) above bill		N	N	N	Y		
19. To permit consideration of the Kerr Bill which prevented Interior Dept. from raising power rates to cooperatives in Southwest		Y	O	Y	N		
20. Passage of Kerr Bill		Y	O	O	N		
21. Investigation of federal money policy, defeat of this in 1957 increased pressure for higher REA interest rate	Y	X	N	N	N	N	N
22. To permit State of New York (instead of commercial power companies) to develop Niagara power	Y	Y	O	Y	Y	Y	Y
23. Amendment to prevent federal construction of two atomic power reactors	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N
24. To amend AEC bill in 1957 to make it unfavorable to co-ops and public bodies	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
25. To add \$30 million in 1958 appropriations to speed up previously-approved power projects	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
26. To send Public Works bill for 1959 back to committee for striking out power projects	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
27. 1959 Public Works bill authorizing certain projects on rivers and harbors for navigation, flood control, hydro power, etc.	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y

PERCENT OF VOTES CAST THAT WERE FAVORABLE
(rounded to nearest whole number)

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71

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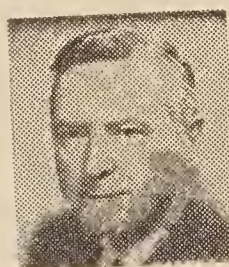
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Co-ops serving in the 9th District are Rutherford, Blue Ridge, Davie, Cornelius, and Union.

10th District. The experts say this is the closest race in the state. It pits Rep. Charles Raper Jonas against David Clark, both of Lincolnton. Jonas didn't answer the questions, but he holds one of the worst voting records



JONAS



CLARK

(insofar as rural electrification is concerned) in Congress.

Jonas has cast record votes affecting rural electric cooperatives a total of 19 times. Only one vote is considered favorable, giving him a score of 5 percent.

Clark answered "yes" to both questions, commenting, "I believe that under present conditions the REA should continue to provide all necessary

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ASC Time Table

Elections—On Tuesday, October 21, community delegates who were elected October 2, will meet to elect three-member county committees who will help administer the local ASC programs.

Farmers who indicated in the initial sign-up that they would participate in the Soil Bank Conservation Reserve for 1959 have from October 10-24 to visit the ASC county office and offer eligible land to the reserve. Offers may be made at rates from the maximum set by ASC downward to the point where the farmer feels that his land is likely to be accepted. Land is accepted on a bid basis, with the government taking land at the lowest available rate.

Report ACP Practices—With the exception of seeding a protecting vegetative cover for the winter, there is little conservation seeding that can be done this year. Forest tree planting, liming, and construction should be in full swing as weather permits. Farmers who have carried out ACP practices should report it in order that earned payments may be handled quickly.

Farm Politics

A House subcommittee on small business has completed a study of integration (contractual growing and marketing) in the broiler industry and requested the Justice Department to pass on the legality of the business structure.

One representative said that integration may be in violation of antitrust laws. The report of the committee suggest that the broiler industry take aggressive steps to improve and standardize contact policies.

C. P. Libeau, State College economist, commented that North Carolina broiler interests are improving contract policies, "but the industry cannot afford, nor would it be wise, to standardize contracts to the point that it is placed in a straight jacket."

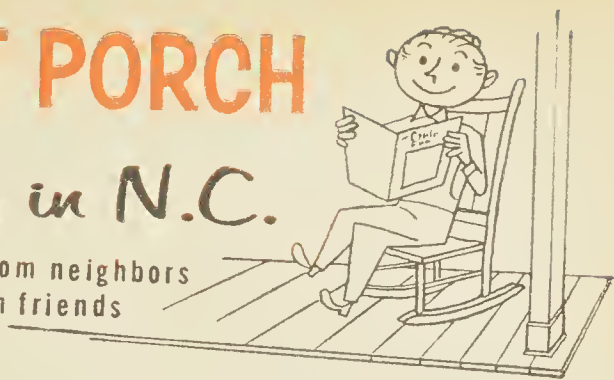
Sen. Everett Jordan recently warned tobacco farmers that 1959 will be their most crucial year.

He said farmers face two serious problems:

1. Increased competition in the world markets.
2. Sec. Benson's intentions to break up the program.

the FRONT PORCH of Farming in N.C.

Some inspiration from neighbors
and advice from friends



SHHH!

Two tobacco leaders have charged that statements by Sec. of Agriculture Benson have hurt this year's marketing. F. S. Royster, managing director of the Bright Belt Warehouse Assn., and Carl T. Hicks, president of the Flue-Cured Stabilization Corporation, criticized Benson for saying that U. S. tobacco is being priced out of some world markets and that the problem should be met by modifying the price support program. *News and Observer* Farm Editor Bill Humphries reported that Hicks and Royster claim Benson's statements were causing exporters to hold back on their purchases, forcing more tobacco than normal into loan. Benson indicated he would ask for changes in tobacco legislation, presumably a reduction in price supports.

COST OF BARNING

A study of 48 Wilson County farms showed it cost the average farmer 13 cents per stick to barn his tobacco. However, some farmers got by for 8 cents, others paid as much as 20 cents. Wilson County Farm Agent W. D. Lewis pointed out the farmer's own habits add to his labor costs. He told of one grower who kept his whole barning crew idle for 45 minutes while he searched for a singletree. The delay cost him \$6. Lewis recommends that growers try to have everything ready when his barning crew arrives. It is better to have the barn empty, but if tobacco has to be removed, don't hire the whole crew to do it. Let primers start work 30 minutes ahead of the barn hands, and instruct them to lay the tobacco straight in the truck. Let all hands take a rest at once, rather than one at a time.

FALL NITROGEN

Nitrogen applied in the fall on red, heavy soils works just as well as nitrogen in the spring, says W. C. White, extension specialist. State College still recommends small grain topdressing in February or March; but on red Piedmont and mountain soils of a clay loam, silty clay loam, or silt loam texture, grain yields are just

as good when nitrogen is applied in the fall. On sandy soils, which permit leaching, you still must stick to spring topdressing.

HALF-SOLE FOR MOWER BAR

J. A. Robbins of Trinity, Route 1, finds that an old car bumper makes a good "half-sole" for the end of a worn out mower cutter bar. He gets the bumpers from junk yards.

FRONT DOOR FEED GRINDING

D. W. Bradsher of Roxboro has acquired Person County's first locally-owned and operated portable feed mill. Bradsher does custom work, transporting the mill, molasses and feed supplement to farms.

OPTIMIST

Clayton Libeau of State College isn't worried about North Carolina poultrymen, even though economists are predicting lower egg prices. Libeau believes the drop may spell success for the Tar Heels. "Egg producers in some parts of the country will cut back on production when the going gets rough," he predicted. "We will have an opportunity to move in on their markets. If we can get their markets when prices are down, we can keep them when they rise."

CO-OP MARKETING

A late crop of tomatoes and good handling paid off for Haywood County farmers. About 40 producers grew vine-ripened tomatoes this season. They operated a central packing house and used a standard pack, which attracted buyers from several states.

CAT SKINNED

Robert D. Flake, assistant farm agent in Wake County, tells how one farmer got rid of sweet potatoes that nobody wanted by the bushel. The farmer packed them in 5-pound plastic bags and sold them handily through a local grocery store.

GOOD YEAR FOR FEEDERS

Feeder calf prices are expected to be higher this fall than since 1951, according to State College economists.

Country School Ma'm



ELSIE CORBITT CURRIN fell in love with the four-teacher rural Hobbsville school at first sight. It lacked some of the efficiencies of large consolidated schools, but it had many things that money nor size could buy. It was within 10 miles of every pupil's home. It was the rallying point for a community spirit. Where Hobbsville school was on "plant," it had a surplus of imagination; and close to the hearts of the parents. On the following pages, Elsie Currin writes affectionately of the country, and the rural atmosphere that makes the job of country school ma'am the best of all possible professions.

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NO NAME plates mark assigned spaces to park. You just choose a nice cool spot and stop. The oaks are there, the grass is real. The water is cool and abundant—but odd at first to one who has become accustomed to the taste and smell of chlorine at the fountain.

There is no sad little fellow here that finds himself at the tail end of a long line of children hot and tired from strenuous play in the sun, waiting for a sip of water. Here the numerous fountains are not governed by schedules that demand a child to hurry.

There are no classrooms so crowded with desks that the overly-proportioned teacher has to diet constantly in order to move sideways through the aisles to observe and give guidance to her students at work.

The rare shrill of a siren serves not to evoke an ominous vision of fire. It serves to remind that someone didn't obey the laws of the highway, and stimulates group discussion on good citizenship.



Cool refreshing water seeped through my shoes as my cherubs and I gathered specimen for our aquarium from the branch beside our spacious campus. Mosses from the nearby woodland started a huge terrarium. Later, an unsuspecting turtle found himself caged within the glass walls... to disappear suddenly in the damp sand beneath the moss. All winter we wondered what pranking culprit had swiped our turtle, not even breaking the tape that sealed him in. And then, one spring morning, there Timmy was—creeping about on the moss. It was then that we were sure—for had we not seen for ourselves—turtles hibernate!

Two cocoons found in the hedge in autumn had been dormant in the terrarium also. An observant pupil heard a faint sound in one cocoon. Soon a gorgeous moth unfolded her wings. We were the proud owners of a Cecropia. How did we know? We had our own set of encyclopedia, along with other fine reference books provided by patrons for our own room. We studied about the pictures—we read

By ELSIE C. CURRIN

about moths—we decided ours was a Cecropia. And we were proud! The moth, too, must have been proud to belong to us for she promptly decorated the glass walls with an endless chain of pinkish eggs. When she became still and lifeless, it was only a momentary sadness that we experienced—for we were learning to appreciate the wonderful patterns in nature's reproduction cycles. Cecropia had served her purpose well!

While planning a walk to the woods, a heavy spring rain began to soak the ground and dampen our spirits. The sun that inevitably follows a spring shower shone through and we took our walk. How glad we were that the rain had come and flushed the muddy ditches. Along the sandy shore were hundreds of water snails. We collected a few, carefully returning with enough water for them to live in a few days before transferring them to our aquarium. One can hardly imagine our excitement the next day when one of the jars contained several jelly-like masses that were immediately identified as eggs. Carefully the jars were labeled as to the date the eggs appeared in each jar. Three weeks later, the eggs separated from the masses of jelly. Under the microscope that belonged to our classroom, each pupil actually saw an egg in the final change of becoming a snail.

Wildlife conservation was the topic of discussion when three wet, tardy and muddy boys rushed in with a gallon jar writhing with sixty or more baby river pike. Reluctantly, they returned the babies to their natural habitat to be allowed to live and grow and swim out to larger waters. Sportsmen will catch many of them two or three years later. Those that evade the fish hook will perhaps return to this very stream to spawn and reproduce more river pike. This episode also brought about some needed reforms, and democratically we made rules concerning the time and procedure that must govern escapades to the brook.



Birdhouses cut and made with craft tools found in our room may not have been the most attractive ever. But by careful study of the birds we wished to attract, the holes were the proper size and the houses were occupied soon after they were hung. Blue Boy, our parakeet, chatted gaily from his cage in the window with the sparrows nesting outside. A rare treat indeed was ours when we saw the parent thrush teaching its young to fly. The thrush carried its baby on its back, suddenly after an anxious, awkward drop of a few feet, tossing it off in mid-air. The baby bird fluttered its wings and flew.

"Oh, boy, its a rainy day!" was the cheery greeting as Jim rushed for shelter from the rain. Anticipation was the order of the day rather than contempt for old man weather. At recess time, the pungent odor of hot chocolate prevailed as aproned boys and girls prepared a treat for those who played marbles, jacks, paper dolls on the warm, worn floor. Down the hall, the smell of popcorn escaped as it pushed up the lid of the "spider" on the hot plate in another room. The rhythmic beat of a record on the three-speed player was joined by tinkle of cymbals, beat of drums and the stamp of little feet. The first graders played "Marching with the Band."

The *Quiet Please* in the library was turned face down. Tables were pushed against the wall leaving space soon filled with uninhibited adolescents, folk dancing or forming the square to the calls happily executed by a physically handicapped lad.

Somewhere else the school's movie projector hummed steadily on—reeling off comedy films brought by a student to share with his friends.

Stage lights flicked on and off as another group took this advantage to work on a play they had written and to iron out the problems of the production.

Welcome may have been the sound of the bell for the teachers—but too soon for the youngsters. They had needed no polished gym floor to play on—no special schedule for a rainy day. Rather, they were adept in using their own resources for recreation—truly revealing good habits in participation of group activity, regard for the rights of others, and sheer enjoyment in fellowship.

The first warm day in March found the driveway crowded with tractors, trailers, and scoops left by enthusiastic fathers. If *their* school needed a

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playground, who better could build it? In the afternoon the older boys repaired the damage left by winter rain and ice. The baseball field was carefully marked off amid giggles and feminine advice given freely from the sidelines. The bright colors of the farm equipment was repeated high up in the sky—this day was also official kite day.

The final bell has sounded—the term is over. Too soon the building is devoid of the laughter of children. A piece of chalk is shattered on the floor—dropped by a jovial scholar as he paused to scribble, “HAPPY VACATION.”

Before turning my back to walk away, I hesitate a moment to take one quick glance at the shrouded bookcases, the barren bulletin boards

—the empty desks. I do not see these things. Instead I see the eager faces of my babies, their colorful pictures on the wall. I hear the shuffle of their feet and the delightful symphony of their laughter. I feel their warm caresses on my cheek as they say good-by.

One last look that will furnish many pleasant memories and I say good-by. Good-by to the patrons and parents who have kept faith with their ideals. Through their constant vigil and support they have proven themselves worthy of this community school. They have proven that the small school can and does give to their children at least as much, if not more, than the overcrowded consolidated schools.

I say good-by to my children, and leave them with thanks for what they have given to me.

FIRE SAFETY SUGGESTIONS TO HELP STOP FIRES AND SAVE LIVES

• Should fire strike your home tonight, what would you do?

Would you know *how* to escape?

Newspaper headlines tell the story of thousands dead every year—thousands who never had a chance, trapped in their own homes. Worse still, most of those who lost their lives were children and elderly people.

Statistics of the National Board of Fire Underwriters show that every two minutes fire damages or destroys some one's home in a U. S. city. That's an average of 800 home fires a day in towns and cities. Others occur all too frequently in rural areas.

Here, for example, are a few newspaper headlines underscoring those tragedies:

“Alone as Mother Sleeps, 2 Children Die in Fire,” “Parents Out, 3 Die in Fire,” “Family of Six Die in Fire,” “Trapped in Bedroom, Man Dies of Burns.”

To insure your safety, know what to do in case of fire.

First of all, it's important to have an escape plan. You should act out

that plan now. Better still, all members of your family should be properly instructed and drilled in such a fire safety plan. Include the baby sitter, too.

To begin, try this test. It's easy. Say you find yourself in one of these three situations, what would you do?

1. You are in a crowded public place and someone cries, “Fire!”

2. Your clothing suddenly catches fire!

3. You wake up in the middle of the night and smell smoke!

In the first situation: Walk, don't run to the nearest exit.

Don't panic. Panic is a killer. Ironically, though it springs from a consuming desire to stay alive, it is apt to destroy you. Time after time it has turned relatively minor emergencies into riots in which scores of people are suffocated or trampled to death.

Panic is contagious. It can spread in an instant from one hysterical person to a roomful of people. The way to control it is to keep it from start-

ing—by being prepared for emergencies.

Your Clothes Catch Fire

In the second situation: Your clothes catch fire. What would you do?

The National Board of Fire Underwriters has this to say:

Fold your arms across your chest to protect your face from the flames, then drop to the floor or ground. If possible, roll up in a rug or heavy coat. Otherwise, roll over and over to smother the flames.

You can teach your children to do this. Make it a game. (Don't, of course, set their clothes on fire.)

According to the National Board, several thousand children under 14 die every year as a result of fire—many of them as a result of playing with fire, especially matches. Often, too, they are helpless. If trapped in a burning building, they are unable to help themselves.

Fire at Night

In the second situation: You wake up in the middle of the night and smell smoke. What would you do?

Before you open your bedroom door, put the palms of your hands against it, advises the National Board of Fire Underwriters. If the door is hot, the outer hall is filled with deadly heated gases. If not, open the door a bit, turning your head away from the opening and bracing the door with your foot. Pass your hand across the opening. If the air is cool and there is no pressure, the hall should be safe.

If fire has cut off all escape routes from the upstairs room, don't jump out the window. You can hurt yourself needlessly. Open the window slightly and wait there for rescue. Breathe the fresh outside air. If it becomes necessary to jump, throw out your mattress to land on.

Where Fires Start

Most home fires start in the bedroom or the kitchen, the National Board of Fire Underwriters says. That makes the following fire safety precautions applicable to nearly every room in the house especially important:

1. Never smoke in bed. You might fall asleep, drop your cigarette. Toxic gases from the fire that might result could render you unconscious before the heat awakened you.

2. Don't string electric extension cords around the room. Never run cords under rugs or over nails where they will wear, causing short circuit possible fire.

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In the OPINION of

ESTES KEFAUVER
Senior United States Senator
State of Tennessee



TAX RULING DOES NOT PROHIBIT PROPAGANDA

There have been some expressions of alarm among advertisers and advertising media and organizations concerning a ruling of the Internal Revenue Service relating to propaganda advertising by electric power companies. Many of these expressions have been critical of me because of the work which I did in bringing to the attention of the Internal Revenue Service the question of the tax status of such propaganda advertising.

I am convinced that most of the criticism of the ruling results from misstatements and misunderstandings. The facts, in brief, are these: Earlier this year the Internal Revenue Service ruled that certain advertising placed in large national magazines and on radio and TV, largely by a group of electric power companies under the Electric Power Companies Advertising Program (ECAP), were not "ordinary and reasonable expenses," but that they were, in the words of a 20-year-old IRS regulation, designed "for lobbying purposes, for the promotion or defeat of legislation or the development or exaltation of propaganda." IRS, therefore, held that the costs of these advertisements could not be deducted by participating electric companies as business expense in filing their federal tax returns.

The ECAP advertisements have been admitted frankly to be planned to mold public opinion." They seek to portray public power generally, and specifically to create public opposition to legislation for federal resource projects involving electric power production. Many of the ECAP advertisements are false and misleading. Last year, I wrote to the Internal

Revenue Service asking about the treatment of the costs of the ECAP advertisements in federal tax returns. I was gratified to learn that these costs have been disallowed as a business expense for tax purposes, but I was disappointed to find that some of the press and some spokesmen for the advertising profession misunderstood the ruling.


In most of the discussions in the press which I have seen, two important facts have been overlooked:

1. The ruling in no way prohibits the ECAP ads. As I stated when first advised of the ruling, "They can continue to propagandize as much as they want in their advertisements—they are going to have to pay the bill themselves."

2. The ruling seems to me to strengthen a principle that is important to all business and particularly the press—the recognition in our tax laws that advertising is a necessary business expense. If we permit the costs of political propagandizing by the private power companies to be considered an "ordinary and reasonable" expense, we are endangering this significant recognition of the vital role which advertising plays in our economy. Flagrant abuses such as the ECAP ads can jeopardize this important policy.

In view of the evidence, including the stated objectives of the ECAP ads, it seems clear to me that the IRS ruling was in accord with long-standing regulations established under our tax laws. More than that, I am firmly convinced that the ruling was in the best interests of our economy generally, and the press and advertising industry specifically.

Estes Kefauver

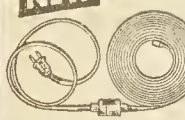



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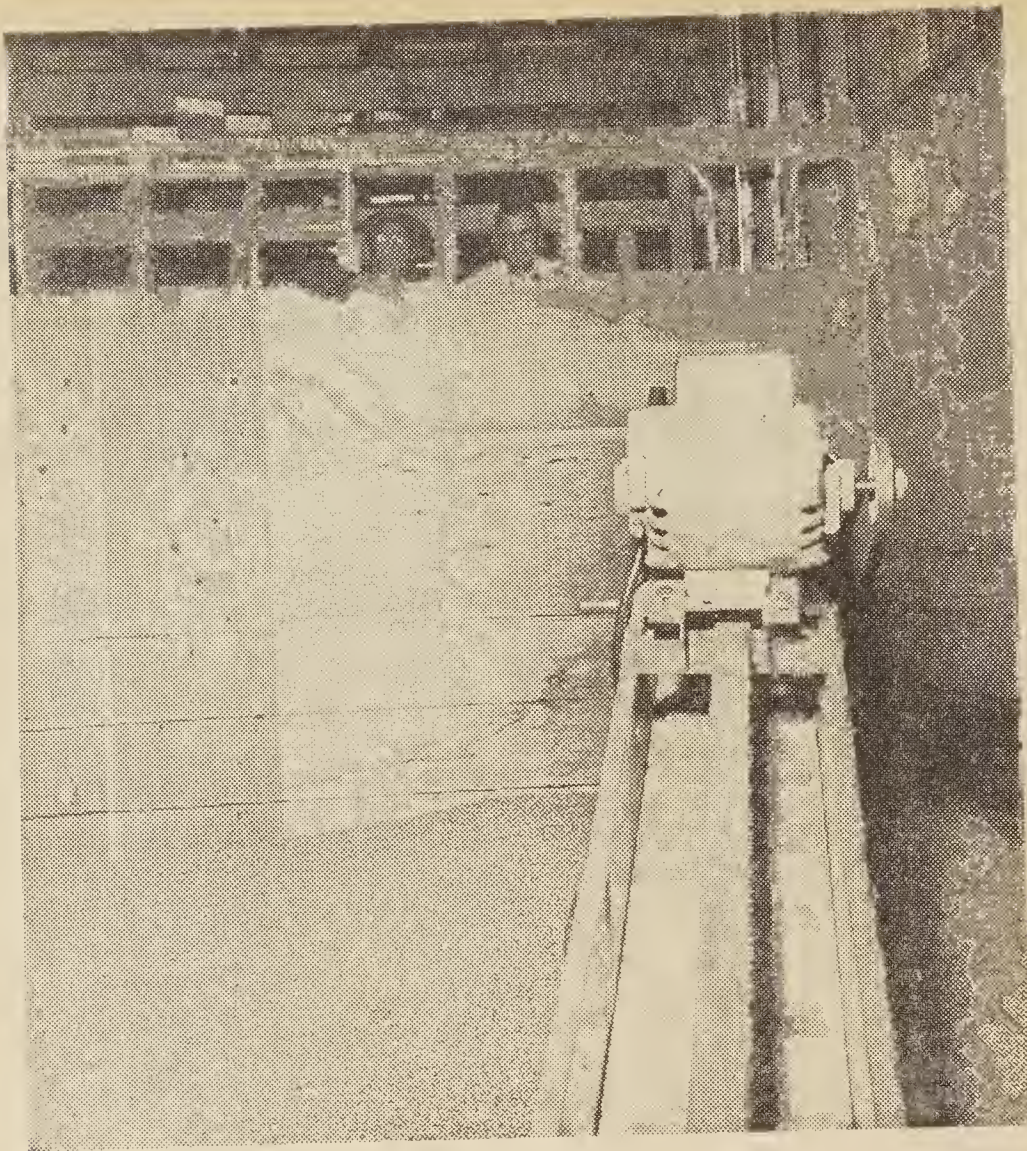
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Electric elevators are used both for loading and unloading drying bins. Here C. G. Barnhill, member of Roanoke EMC, and Grover Harrell, Roanoke electrification adviser, look over a bin partially filled with drying corn.

Weather-Maker

By C. L. OVERMAN

"The farmer who dries peanuts and grain artificially will save money," according to C. G. Barnhill of Scotland Neck, Route 1. Barnhill has just completed a new drying house which he plans to use for peanuts, small grain, corn, and hay, for himself and neighbors.

The old method of curing peanuts, small grain, or corn is to let them dry in the field. This process, for peanuts alone, requires four to six weeks curing time plus approximately 31 man-hours of labor per acre. In field curing, the farmer takes a big gamble that weather conditions will be favorable. Bad weather will slow curing and cause spoilage; the crop must remain in the field until it dries to a moisture content of 10 to 12% to permit safe storage.

A grain dryer enables the farmer to

manufacture his own weather during the harvest season. He can take his crops from the field when they reach a moisture content of 35 to 40% and artificially dry them to the desirable 10 to 12%, thereby reducing the amount of time the ripened crops are exposed to the weather.

The grain dryer also enables the farmer to handle his crop in bulk whereas in field curing he must bag it. He can employ mechanized equipment and cut down on the amount of labor needed for harvesting. The old stack-pole method of curing peanuts requires 12 laborers, and the peanuts must be handled four to six times. Bulk curing enables the farmer to use equipment that requires only two men, who must handle the peanuts only twice.

Artificial drying will do other things

for the farmer. By being able to control the moisture content of his crops, he incurs no penalty in selling price. Land is quickly released for fall plowing and seeding of winter cover crops. In peanuts, high moisture content at harvest makes the nuts cling to the vines, reducing digging and windrowing losses.

(The average over the last five years is 277 pounds more nuts per acre from combined, artificially-cured peanuts than from field-cured peanuts.)

The grain dryer is a fan combined with a heating unit. Harvested grain or peanuts are placed in a bin with perforated floor, and heated air is forced up through them. The "brains" of the whole operation is a meter which is used to check the moisture content of the crop being dried. Periodic checks must be made throughout the drying process to keep the crop from drying too fast or too much. Drying speed is controlled by the speed and temperature of the air going through the bin.

Investment in a drying outfit is large (\$4,500 for a 30-to 150-acre peanut farm). State College officials recommend a minimum of 30 acres as the "breaking point" when considering a dryer for peanuts alone. The equipment to handle 30 acres of peanuts will handle 150 just as well; however, the dryer will handle small grain, corn, and hay, as well as peanuts.

For the smaller farm, custom drying is probably the answer. If peanuts can be dried for 50 cents per 100 pounds, the small grower can afford to cure them artificially. Correspondingly, the costs will also enable the small grower or corn producer to use custom drying facilities.

The "in-between" farm (the farm with around 20 acres of peanuts) may be capable of supporting one of the single-compartment metal bins that are on the market. These bins employ small dryers and, if heated air is used, will dry grains as well as peanuts. Various sizes are made so the grower can select the one that will fit the farm.

Regardless of the size of the farm, a farmer should not go into the drying business without much thought. He should read and learn all possible about drying, and be sure that the farm or available custom work can support the investment he must make.

Additional information on small grain, corn, and peanut drying can be secured at your local County Agricultural office. Ask for: Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletin 405, Extension Service Folder No. 145, and U. S. Department of Agriculture Leaflet No.

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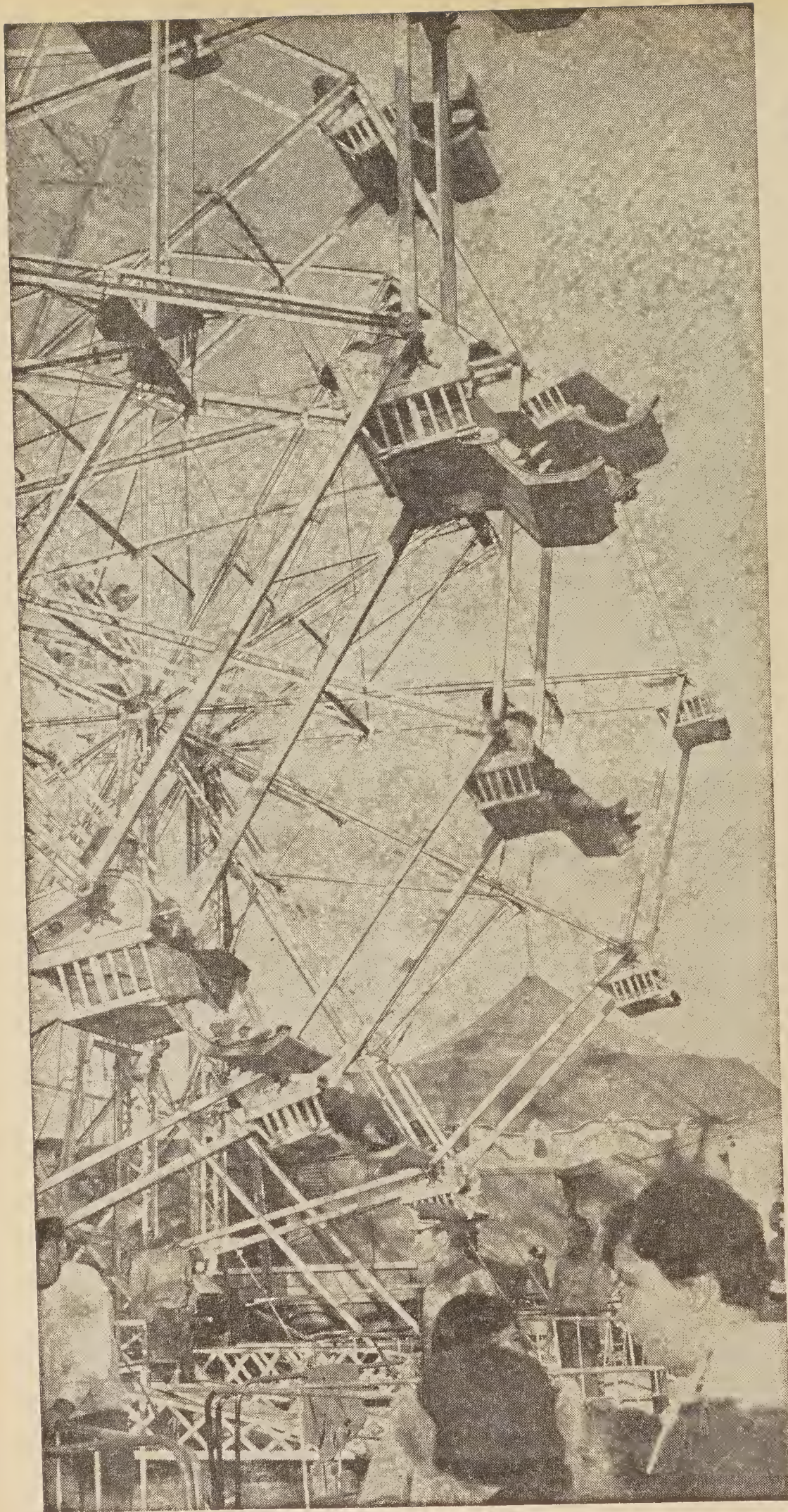
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IT'S TIME for North Carolina's show of shows—its glorious State Fair. Fair dates are October 14-18 this year. Of course, the Fair unofficially opens each year on the Sunday afternoon before the official opening with the big State Fair Singing Convention.

The State Fair annually attracts half-million or more people during its five-day run, and this year's production has something of real interest for everyone. Its entertainment program offers many popular attractions; features and its special shows are widely varied, covering a number of new fields in North Carolina's growing industrial and agricultural activity.

Poultry Industry Theme

The red carpet treatment in the Arena will be given to the 6th annual inter-related farm-industry series of exhibits. Poultry will have the spotlight at this year's Fair . . . not the backyard variety of bird, but the deluxe poultry product which yields the state an annual \$135,000,000 income.

Ten displays will tell the story of branches of the industry: financing, engineering and research, feeds, egg broilers, layers, roasters, turkey hatcheries, housing, equipment, distribution and marketing. They will show how North Carolina has become a leading poultry-producing state and tell of the possibilities for greater expansion of a farm activity that is already the second "crop" (following tobacco) of the state's farms.

Science on Parade

New this year will be a series of exhibits depicting progress in scientific fields. North Carolina's high schools will contribute some 40 exhibits to this new feature and N. C. State College School of Engineering is planning an equal number. The Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Science will have a \$50,000 display showing peacetime uses of the atom.

Vo-Ag's Star Farmer

In addition to its regular series of activity exhibits, the Vocational Education Department of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction will tell the story of the state's (and only) American Star Farmer, Clarence Chappell, Jr. and Mrs. Chappell will be hosts at the exhibit in the Arena for Fair Week as living proof that farming can be attractive, in

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The Fair!

g and highly profitable. The exhibit itself will show how this 21-year old elvidere youth has accumulated a net worth of over \$70,000 since starting in FA work at the age of 12.

Cowboy Favorite

Topping a strong variety entertainment bill is Gene Autry, who will present the "Gene Autry Hit Show of '58" in the Arena throughout Fair Week. The cowboy favorite's troop of performers include his famous horses, Champion and Little Champ, Tagg Kley, Carl Cottner and his Melody Ranch Band, Rufe Davis, and Chief White Cloud.

Jack Kochman's thrill show is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon, and the C-Hamid musical extravangaza for the nightly grandstand shows will be "Manhattan Rocketts." Topping the circus acts will be the high-diving se and the new Sky Girls, an aerial peze act done while suspended under helicopter soaring from 600 to 800 t above ground.

The Boat Show

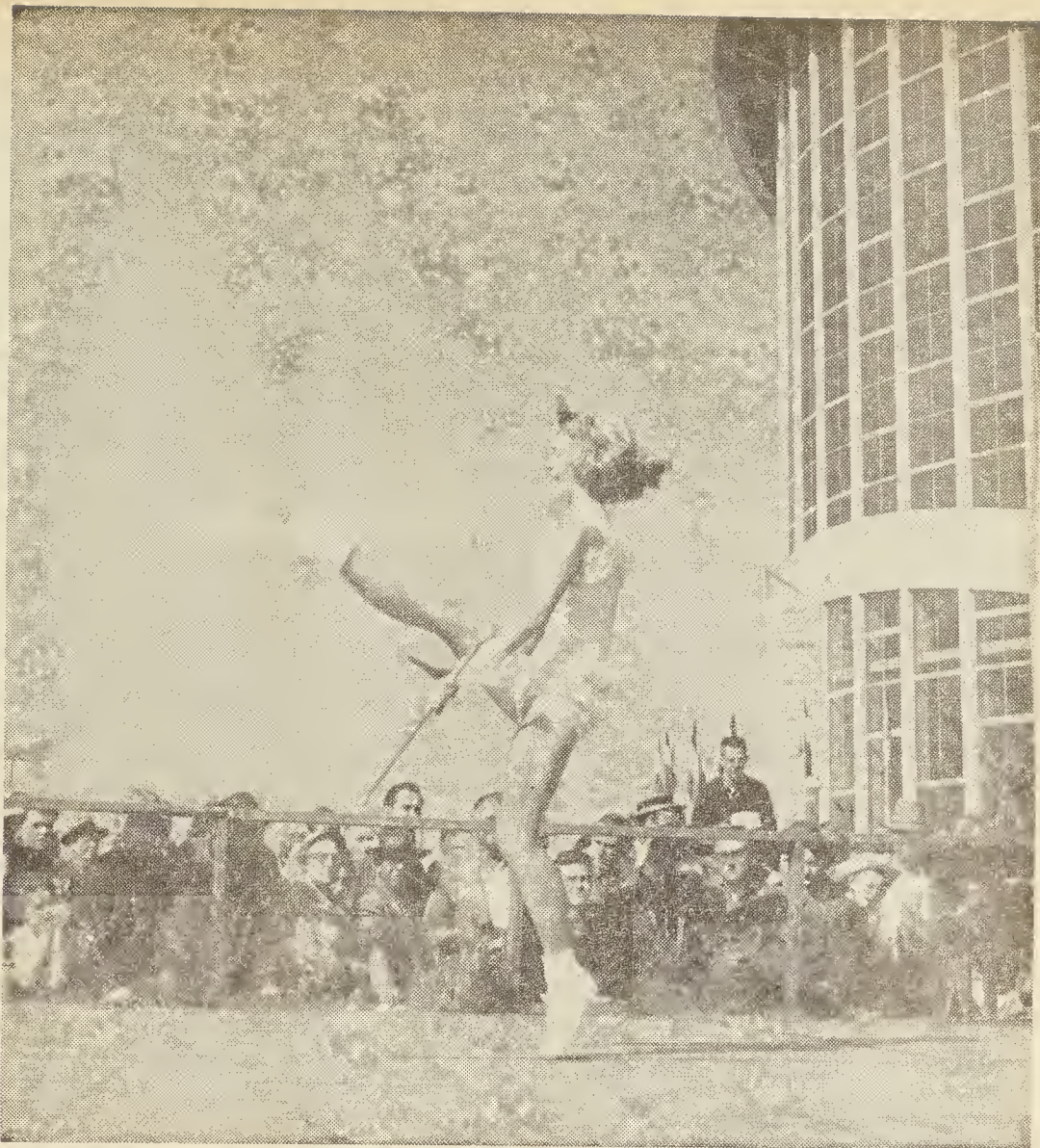
A semi-commercial feature of the '58 Fair will be the Boat Show, which will display 1959 models of sports and racing crafts by North Carolina manufacturers and distributors. The show will be located adjacent to two of the ground lakes, and both paddle ft and power boats will be demonstrated on the lakes. (The boat-building industry has expanded greatly in the state recently, and some Tar Heel boats have national distribution.)

New Lounge

The '58 Fair will introduce to veteran fair-goers a new lounge, remodeled in an old storage warehouse. The building provides a spacious lounge, two rest rooms, new well-equipped quarters for the Red Cross, and an enlarged and attractive Kiddies Colony. The striking design of the building adds greatly to the Arena, which it centers.

Livestock Shows

Present entries in all livestock shows indicate that the finest show herds of sheep, swine, beef and dairy cattle are to compete for the North Carolina Championships will be shown during the 1958 shows. All livestock shows are under association approved now.



The N. C. State Ensemble Contest for School Majorette Groups will be held on Saturday of Fair Week, 8-10 a.m. The National Open begins at 10 a.m.



Cumberland County's Water System Exhibit at the 1957 N. C. State Fair.

Mail Box

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fascinates me—namely, a camp for grown-ups, Camp Cherryfield.

Would it be possible for me to have some information as to registration, prices, time of operation, etc.? Or, send me anything that might enable me to get to this heavenly-sounding place.

Mrs. T. A. Lewis
Hoschton, Georgia

Information on the 1959 Camp

Cherryfield program can be obtained by writing directly to the camp director, Miss Louise Blackwell, at her winter address: 2301 Elliston Place, Nashville 5, Tennessee.—EDITOR.

Roots and Herbs

I've been looking for an article I read last year and wondered if I read it in the *Carolina Farmer*. The article concerns wild roots and plants such as gensing, etc., found in this

general area. The article named several stores and people buying these plants for medicinal use. If you published such an article, I would appreciate your sending me a copy.

William E. Kenney
Gastonia

Reader Kenney did read the article on crude drugs in the May, 1957, issue of the *Carolina Farmer*.—EDITOR.

Range Cookery

Please send me your oven menus and recipes. (CF, September) I would also like recipes and menus for deep-well meals and a chart for steaming vegetables.

I get the *Carolina Farmer* monthly and enjoy it very much—especially the homemaking section. Do you have any pamphlets on decorating? I would also like some of these if you have them.

Mrs. Charles Worley
Canton, Rt. 1

This is one of many letters we received requesting our recipes for range cooking. A limited supply of these recipes is still available. Address requests to Homemaking Editor, the *Carolina Farmer*, Box 1699, Raleigh. Excellent pamphlets on home decorating can be ordered from Miss Pauline Gordon, Extension Specialist in Housing and Home Furnishings, N. C. State College, Raleigh, N. C. Some of those available are: "Window Curtains" (Misc. Bulletin No. 181), "Draperies You Can Make" (no order number), "Family Room" (no order number), "Selection of Furniture" (no order number), "Selection of Color and Fabric" (no order number).—EDITOR.

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'THE OLD ROCKHOUSE'

A Colonial hero fought the Indians and Tories from this Stokes County ruin

By KELLY HUTCHENS

In an area of Stokes County served by Surry-Yadkin Electric Membership Corporation are the remains of a fortress-like building that would not be out-of-place among the ancient ruins of Britain. It is called simply, "The Old Rock House."

Once it was a mansion of elegance and splendor but today only four ivy-grown crumbling walls remain of the famous structure. In early Colonial days it was a fortress for the population of the surrounding countryside as the people gathered inside its massive walls to defend themselves from raiding bands of Cherokee Indians.

During the Revolutionary War it served as the headquarters for officers of the patriot armies who fought the British Redcoats and local bands of Tories. In the peacetime following the war it was the palatial home of its builder, and during his lifetime many famous North Carolina men of that day were frequent guests in the house.

Today a walnut tree grows in the ruins of the entrance and the only activity is that of the farmers who tend the pecan groves that now surround the former hub of society and haven of true old Southern hospitality.

The foundation for the Rock House was laid in the year 1770 by Col. Jack Martin, whose English ancestry can be traced back to the Barons of Cemmeas

of Pembroke County, England, in the days of William the Conqueror. This was two years after Martin had arrived in Stokes County and acquired a vast plantation there and in surrounding counties. The Rock House was built on a gentle rolling slope that faces the north side of the Sauratown Mountains, in what today is known as the Rock House community near Highways 268 and 66.

Roasted Ox

The English-style structure was four stories high and contained seven rooms. The entire house was built of flat gray stones that are native to this part of Stokes County. The walls were three feet thick and their outer coating of white stucco made the building visible for miles around. The floors were flagstones laid in cement. The house had two chimneys, and one of the fireplaces was large enough to roast an entire ox at one time.

Martin answered the call of his country during the Revolutionary War and distinguished himself as a soldier. His first military service was as a lieutenant with Capt. Joseph Smith's company in a fight against the Cherokee Indians in 1776. At various times he served under Captains Minor, Phillips, and Robert Hill, and under Colonels Shepherd and James Martin.

He frequently rode with Maj. Joseph Winston, whose home was near Ger-

mantown. Colonel Jack fought in the battles of Old Fields near New River, Colson's Mill near the Pee Dee River, Whitsell's Mill and many of the skirmishes that took place during the battle of King's Mountain. In one of these skirmishes he was wounded and left on the field for dead, but recovered and later rejoined his company to continue the fight against the British.

From time to time he organized bands of his loyal neighbors to fight against the Tories who had a hideout cave in the Sauratown Mountains near his home. While fighting one of these bands Martin received a buckshot in the temple, but survived the wound.

Because of his military duties the house was not fully completed until the year 1785. In that year he married Nancy Shipp of Surry County and settled down to supervise the farming operations on his widespread acres. Colonel Martin proved as worthy a citizen in peace as he had been in war. For 30 years he served as a magistrate in Stokes County and he served two separate terms in the General Assembly.

There is a story that a band of outlaws once captured Martin's young daughter and held her for ransom in old Tory's Cave, where the bandits made their headquarters.

Men of the countryside took up their arms and searched for the stolen girl while Martin scanned the hills with his

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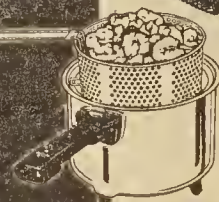
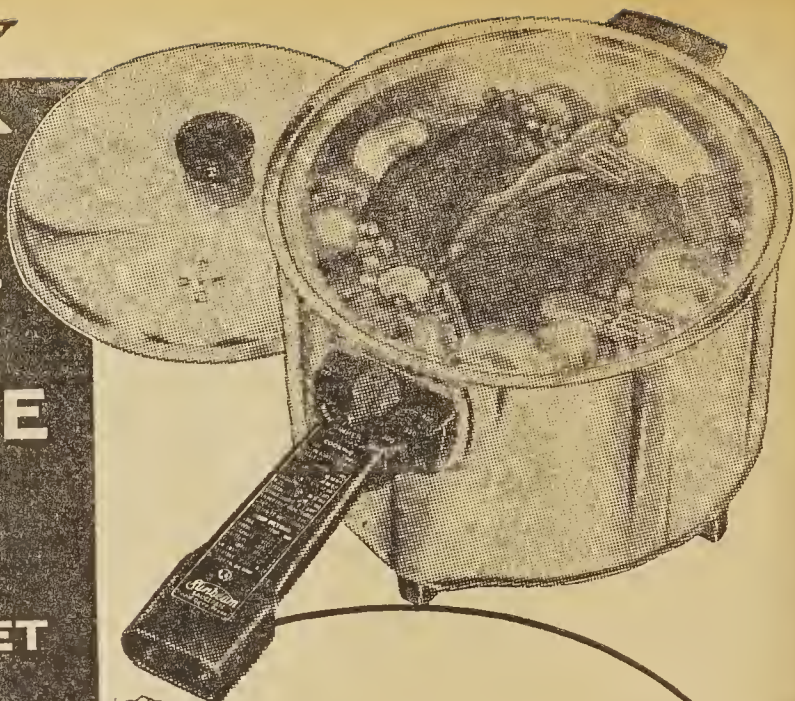
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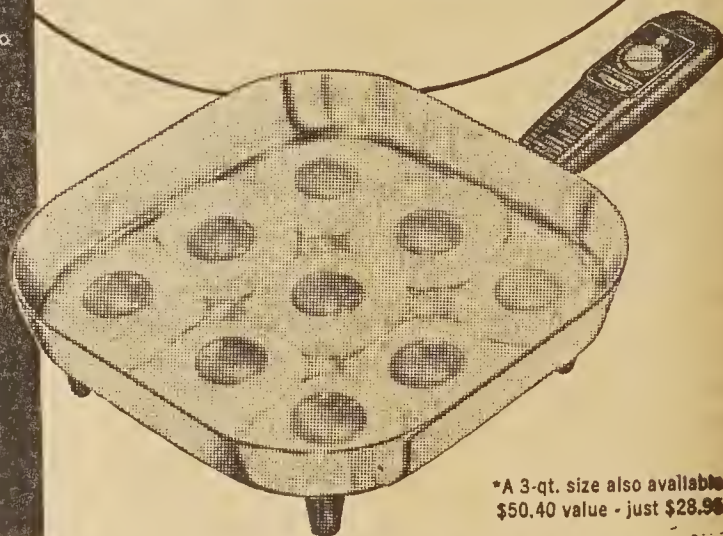
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Decaying logs; to time have paid
their heed,
Shed that is low and sunken
The barn has cured many a leaf of
smoking weed.

Cracks that are wide and open
One has viewed in time: a party
born,
Here in the deep of night is wafted
From its furnace; the savor of
roasting corn.

Lassies have loitered in the evenin'
shadows
Lighted by the fires an orange glow,
Cooks have stewed the fowl in the skillet
And love like time; runs rampant in
the long ago.

Parties where many a kiss was stolen
Irresistible and much sweeter for
the theft,
And today with its swaggerin' shelter
The roof is sunken, hardly any top
is left.

Fill the tanks with gaseous fuel
Then at twilight abandon the shed,
Go on home to your other duties
Regulate your fuel; and hop
in bed.

What About Rural Electrification?

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funds, and the interest rate should not exceed the cost of money (interest rate) of the federal government."

Parts of the 10th District are served by Burke-McDowell, Rutherford, French Broad, and Cornelius EMCs.

12th District. David W. Hall of Sylva goes against W. Harold Sams of Asheville. Hall was called in by the Democrats to run against Sams when incumbent George Shuford announced

he would not stand for election in November, after having won his primary race.

Hall did not answer the questions. Sams answered both questions "yes" but because of a qualifying statement it is felt that he misread it and intended to answer, "no." He wrote, "eliminating the conclusion as set forth in the last sentence, and with proper control over private lending agencies involved, my answer is "yes."

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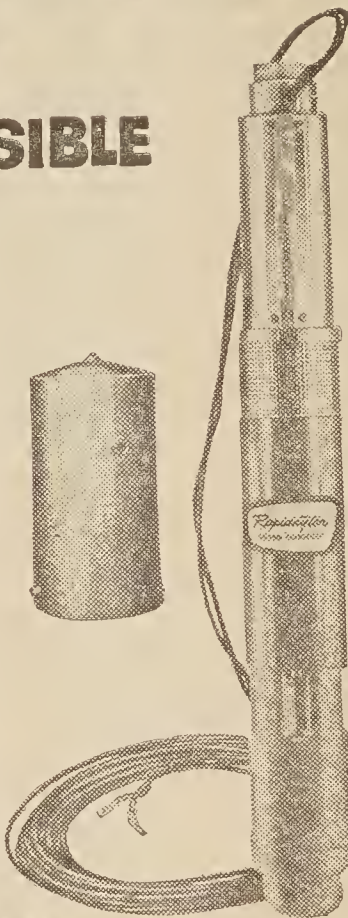
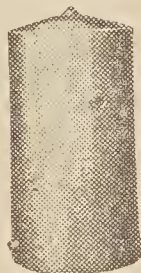
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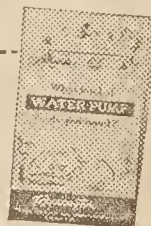
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AROUND

THE HOUSE

Electrical tips to help the home handyman—and woman, too

By C. L. Overman
Agricultural Engineer



Deposits

If you use water from your spigot your steam iron you're asking trouble. Spigot water contains minerals which form a rusty-looking deposit on the sides of anything it boiled in. If this deposit forms in steam chamber and steam jets of steam iron it will eventually clog iron beyond repair.

Distilled water is best for steam irons. It contains nothing that clog and corrode them.

You can obtain distilled water saving the water you remove when defrosting your refrigerator. This distilled water which condensed froze.

Pump Warmer

Cold weather will soon be bringing the headaches of frozen water pumps. Your best pump protection is a well insulated pumphouse. You can get additional protection by hanging a 150-watt bulb about three inches from pump. This bulb will give off enough heat to keep the pump from freezing.

If a more direct concentrated heat is needed, use a 150-watt heat lamp. Mount the heat lamp about 12 inches from the pump and direct its warmlight on the pump.

Heat is needed only when the pumphouse temperature drops below 32 degrees. You can operate the bulb lamp automatically with an inductive thermostat. Set the thermostat to turn on the bulb whenever the temperature drops below freezing.

Fustats

A person that puts an oversized fuse in a switchbox is truly taking a dangerous chance. The larger fuse allows too much electric current to flow in a circuit and cause it to overheat and burn.

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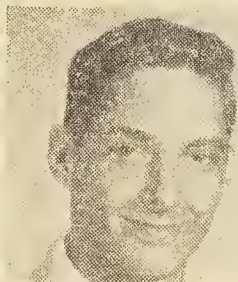
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Introducing Our New Teen Panel

Next Month's Question:

*How can I make
and keep friends of
my own age?*

GORDON BECTON, JR. has garnered a host of scholastic, athletic and community achievements during his seventeen years. He's a senior at the Beaufort High School, where he stars on the football team and serves as the team captain. He also plays the field on the school baseball team. He's the school's Varsity Club secretary and Sergeant-at-Arms for the Beaufort Hi-Y. Gordon has been very active in 4-H Club work, both locally and statewide, and has been county health king for the past three years and a state blue ribbon winner for two years. He was president of his club last year, and also served as president of the County Council. At the present time, he is junior president of the Harlowe Youth Community Improvement Club. He is also an active member of the Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Harlowe Methodist Church. He writes us that his hobbies are health improvement, water skiing, and, of course, football. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. Becton, Sr., who are members of the Carteret-Craven Electric Membership Corporation.

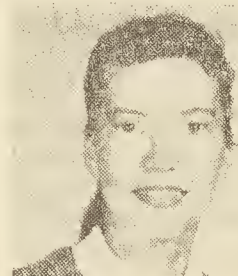


STEVE REEVES, Canton, Rt. 1, is another outstanding teenager who will serve on the new Roundtable Panel. Steve, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Reeves, Haywood Electric members, is a sixteen year-old eleventh grader at Bethel High School. He is a gold palm Eagle Scout, and senior patrol leader for his troop. Steve, too, is an active 4-H'er and is president of his club. He's also a member of the 4-H Exchange Club, and, through this organization, made a trip to Iowa recently, and kept an exchange member at his home during the past summer. He's a high school band member, and his musical talents include skill on the piano, French horn, and coronet. He



says his hobbies are handicrafts, camping, hiking (he's covered over 200 miles on the Appalachian Trail).

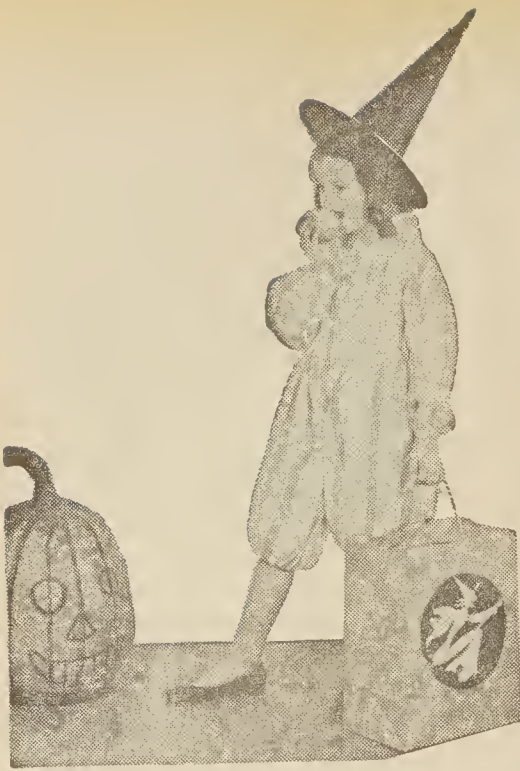
LYNDA FAYE HICKS, Wake Forest, Rt. 1, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hicks, is the third member of our new panel. Her parents are members of the Wake Electric Membership Corporation. She's fourteen years old and a ninth grader at the Wake Forest High School. Lynda is a member of the Wake Union Baptist Church and is active in the church's youth work. She's a member of her high school's Girls Auxiliary, Glee Club, Future Homemakers of America. As for special talents, she writes that she "sings pretty well, and spells *very* well." She's very interested in reading, and is fond of debating controversial issues.



PATSY HARRIS, Albemarle, Rt. 1, is seventeen years old and an eleventh grader at the Norwood High School. She's president of her county's Junior Red Cross Chapter and of the county chapter of the Future Homemakers of America. She's an officer in the Order of the Rainbow for Girls in Albemarle and sings in the organization's choir. She is secretary of the county Methodist Youth Fellowship and a member of the Union Chapel Methodist Church. Patsy has made an outstanding record as a 4-H'er, and is now serving as president of her local club. This year was her third year for entering the State 4-H Dress Revue, and in 1957 she placed fourth in the state with her entry. She was also a member of the 4-H Poultry Marketing Demonstration which took state honors this year and won an all-expense trip to Washington and Pennsylvania from which she's recently returned. Patsy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest L. Harris, who are members of Union Electric.



Trick or Treat?



souls of the dead on this night. The souls of the wicked were condemned to enter the bodies of animals. The souls of the good were believed to enter the body of another human being.

The early Christian church set aside the first of November to honor all saints who had no day of their own. They called it All Saints' Day. The evening before was called All Hallows' Even which was eventually shortened to its present form—Halloween.

Witches are another traditional belief of Halloween. It was thought that certain women dressed in black on All Hallows' Even, took brooms from their closets and rode them to secret meeting places. Their cats, those souls of the evil dead, rode with them. The witches supposedly met in

groups of 13, and made magic spells that caused sickness and bad luck for their victims. Working all night long, they stirred up a "witches brew" while muttering curses.

The symbol of the skeleton comes from the belief that the dead rose from their graves and actually walked the earth between sunset and sunrise on Halloween.

Ireland picked up many Halloween traditions and originated others. On the eve of summer's end, evil spirits were thought to emerge from the cave of Cruachan in Connaught (which is known as the gate of hell). These spirits destroyed the harvest, killed farm animals, stole babies and bride and left changelings in their place.

As protection against these ev

The history of Halloween Jack-o-Lanterns and how to make masks

● For many centuries Halloween has been a holiday of fun, celebrated with masks and merriment. But the early origins of the holiday had different, often sinister meanings. Masks were made and worn as protection and as a disguise; they originated through fear and superstition. Today the masks we make with our crayons represent some of the ancient customs, traditions and lore of the holiday. But they are worn for fun.

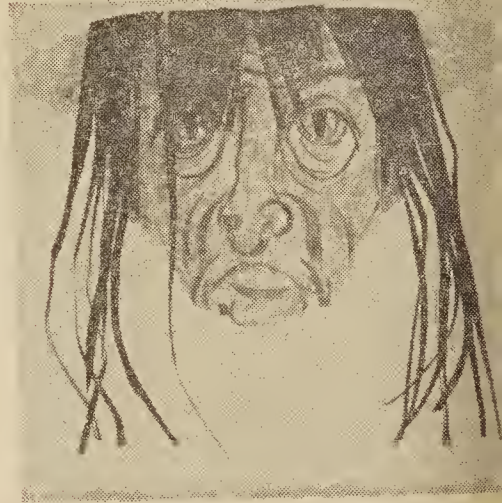
Traditionally, Halloween is a harvest festival. The holiday originated among the Celts centuries before the Christian era. Druid priests celebrated the beginning of the new year on the eve of Samhain, or summer's end. This coincides with our October 31. It was also the festival of their sun god. Feasts were held and fires were lighted in his honor.

According to Druid beliefs, the lord of the dead gathered together all the

Crayon Masks



FUNNY FACE is made of paper cups; a cone shaped one for the nose with two small drinking cups attached to form eye sockets.



WITCH MASK is made of a sheet of cardboard, trimmed with gay construction paper hair.



CLOWN FACE can be made of paper. He has bright, yarn hair.



CAT MASK is made from a paper bag and has drinking straw whiskers.

*The Carolina
Homemaker*

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spirits great bonfires were lit. And the villagers made and wore paper masks, both to frighten the evil spirits and to confuse them about the identity of the mask-wearer.

The present day custom of "trick or treat" goes back to an old English custom called, "going a souling." Men and women went from house to house chanting, "A soul cake, a soul cake, a penny or a soul cake." Housewives gave them little pastries (soul cakes) and in return the people said prayers for the souls of the dead.

The Jack-o-Lantern owes its origin to Ireland. Legend has it that a stingy man named Jack was barred from heaven because of his miserly qualities, and forbidden to enter hell because he played practical jokes on the devil. Hence Jack was condemned to walk the earth with his lantern until Judgement Day. The pumpkin face Jack-o-Lantern which we know therefore combines many Halloween traditions; it is a symbol of the harvest, it's a sort of friendly mask, and it's a reminder to treat, not trick.

It's part of our own Halloween practices to make masks at Halloween. They can be elaborate or simple and are fun for both children and adults.

Mask Party

You might center a Halloween party around the making of masks. Just supply your guests with crayons, and all sorts of inexpensive, everyday items. (See illustrations.) Paper, paper bags, paper cups, shirt cardboard all can be transformed into funny or frightening face coverings. Just use your crayon and your imagination. When the masks are made everyone can tell a story about what his mask represents.

Whatever materials you choose for your mask, the following things should be remembered: The mask should fit the head or face comfortably. You should be able to see, breathe, talk and eat while wearing it. This can be easily accomplished by holding the material you are using for your mask to your face. Locate and mark where your features are. Then draw them onto your masks. Cut them out, or cut and fold them back. Your mask will be ready to crayon and decorate. And it will be comfortable to wear.

Children enjoy making pumpkin faces, witches, cats and clowns. Draw the faces with your crayons. The faces can be trimmed with yarn, string, ribbon, wool, construction paper or crayon-decorated paper of your own making.



For the Costume Party

Big Sultan's Outfit (Figures 2 & 3)

8 towels
elastic tape

1. To form back of coat, (see figure 2) join 2 towels lengthwise.
2. Next, join 1 towel to each side, leaving 8" open for armholes.
3. Fold back front sections 2" to form lapels. Join shoulder seams.
4. For pants, (see figure 3) join 2 pairs of towels lengthwise. Sew along entire outside seam.
5. Stitch inside leg seam from bottom to crotch. Join back from crotch upward to waist. For front, leave 5" or 6" opening at top. Stitch from this point down to crotch.
6. Hem waist and ankles. Insert elastic.

Gypsy Skirt

6 towels
2 face cloths
trim

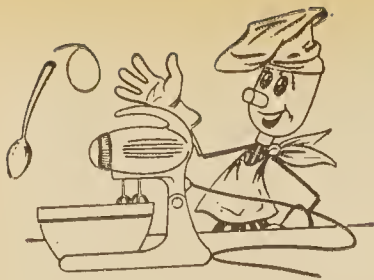
1. Join 6 towels lengthwise to form circle. Hem and insert elastic at waist.
2. Decorate base of skirt with fancy stitching and decorative trim (use rickrack, bias binding, curtain edging, etc.) as shown in insert.
3. For pockets, place face cloths diagonally toward top of skirt. Stitch to skirt at sides and bottom.

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Little Clown Outfit (Fig. 1)

6 kitchen towels
elastic tape
binding tape
gauze for collar ruff

1. To form back, join 2 towels lengthwise, sewing down approximately 2/3 of length to crotch.
2. To form front, join 2 more towels in same way. If desired, a front opening can be left by beginning stitching about 10" from top.
3. Join front and back sections, stitching top from corners to center 4" for shoulder seams.
4. Join side seams, beginning 8" from top to form armholes, and stitching to lower edge.
5. For sleeves, join 2 towels along both selvages (so that sleeve stripes will run in same direction as body of suit). Cut in half. Gather one end of each half and set in armholes.
6. To complete legs, sew inside of front and back sections together as far as crotch.
7. Shirr gauze at neck to form ruff. Stitch 1/2" hem in neck for binding tape tie.
8. Stitch hem at wrists and ankles and insert elastic.



Carolina Kitchens

RECIPES FROM CO-OP HOMEMAKERS

FROM Mrs. Mona Masters, a French Broad EMC homemaker, comes her favorite cake recipe to be shared with other co-op homemakers this month. With her recipe came the following letter:

"How much I appreciate the *Carolina Farmer*! The recipes are so easy to follow, the letters from neighbors are so interesting. I've purchased an electric skillet and an electric saucepan and wish there would be recipes in the *Carolina Farmer* to prepare dishes in each of these appliances. I have some, but we like all kinds of easy-to-prepare dishes. I collect all kinds of pie, pudding, cake, vegetable salad, and meat recipes.

"I love homemaking though sometimes it can be hard. I have several pen pals and friends with whom I've exchanged recipes, quilt, embroidery and crochet patterns, and all kinds of house plants, including African violets."

If you want to save Mrs. Masters' recipe, clip it along the dotted lines, paste in on the back of paste board, and stick it in your recipe file.

We'd like to see your favorite recipes. If you have one you'd like to share with other homemakers through this column, send it to: *Carolina Farmer*, Homemaking Section, Box 1699, Raleigh. If you have a good snapshot of yourself, send it along, too. And include something about yourself and family when you send the recipe.

CAROLINA FARMER RECIPE

Submitted by Mrs. Mona Masters

Relief, N. C.

Manitou Black Cake

10½ tablespoons cocoa	1½ cups flour
3½ tablespoons butter	1 teaspoon vanilla
1½ cups milk	2 teaspoons baking powder
1 egg yolk, well beaten	
1 cup sugar	1 teaspoon soda

Mix cocoa, butter, 1 cup milk, egg yolk, stir over hot water until butter is melted and mixture thickens. Remove from heat and add sugar, ½ cup milk, flour, vanilla, baking powder, soda. Mix all ingredients until smooth and bake until done in 375° oven.

Cake can be iced with fluffy white icing.

Over The Lines

with Becky



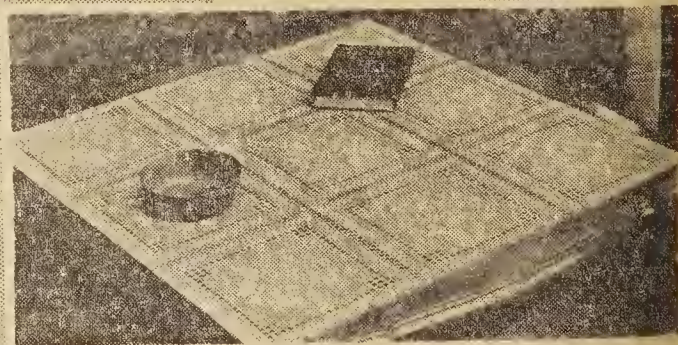
Milady's home repair tips . . .

With the rising cost of having specialists come to house to fix this or that, more and more clever female are finding it worth their while to master simple home repairs themselves. (Don't tackle the big ones, though. Leave those to the experts.)

I've just browsed through Michael Gore's new book "Encyclopedia of Household Hints and Dollar Stretchers," and find that he has devoted a whole chapter to home repairs. The chapter is full of some most interesting ideas. For example:

- Leaking pipe joints can often be repaired without taking the pipe apart, by smearing the joint with any of several prepared pipe cements.
- Remove floor scratches by rubbing with fine steel wool dipped in floor wax.
- Doors drag? Try tightening the screws that hold the hinges in place. If they just won't tighten, fill the screw holes with plastic wood and try again when dry.
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- Silence those floor squeaks by dusting talcum powder or dripping glue into the cracks. (Works like magic.) Shellac the floor when dry.
- When your tile sink becomes chipped, touch it up with wax crayon in matching color, then coat with transparent mending cement. This will stand up nicely under many washings and can be easily renewed.
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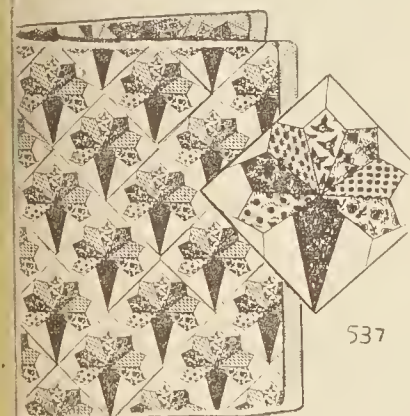
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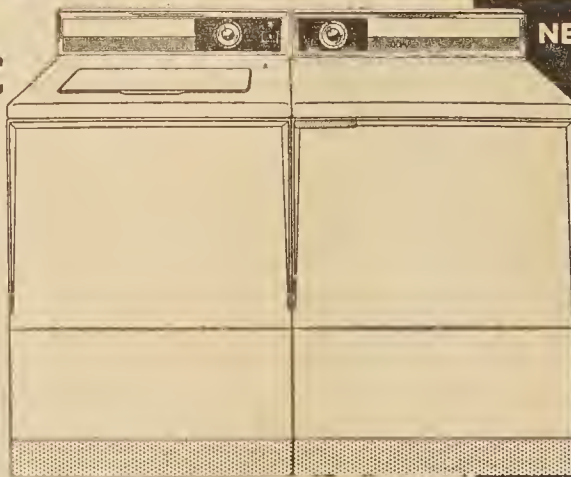
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LEXINGTON. Davidson Electric Membership Corporation. October 18, Y.M.C.A., 1 p.m. **FREE PRIZES**.

RED SPRINGS. Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation. November 5, Red Springs Armory, 10 a.m. **Malcolm Sewell**, N. C. Attorney General, will speak. \$1,000 in **FREE PRIZES**.

SANFORD. Central Electric Membership Corporation. October 4, Central High School, 7:30 p.m. **William T. Crisp**, Executive Manager of Tarheel Electric, speaker. \$800 in **FREE PRIZES**.

ROCK HOUSE

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spyglass and saw something flutter near the cave.

The quick-witted girl had waved her petticoat, hoping to attract the attention of the searchers. Her father immediately organized a war party, rescued the child and punished the outlaws.

Noted Hostess

Nancy Shipp Martin was a noted housekeeper and hostess of her day. She had the house elaborately furnished

with walnut and cherry furniture, much of which was ordered directly from England. The Martins reared a family of 10 children.

Martin died in 1822, and following his death the Rock House plantation was owned by his descendants for over 100 years. It was later sold, and in 1897 the unique old mansion was swept by fire. At the present time the Rock House site and 400 acres of the original estate are owned by Capt. Jack Thore of Pilot Mountain.

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PROFESSIONAL ADVICE

Dr. Jones was fuming when he finally reached his table at a civic dinner, after breaking away from a woman who sought advice on a personal health problem.

"Do you think I should send her a bill?" the doctor asked a lawyer who sat next to him.

"Why not?" the lawyer replied. "You rendered professional services by giving advice."

"Thanks," the physician said. "I think I'll do that."

When the doctor went to his office the next day to dispatch the bill to the annoying woman, he found a letter from the lawyer. It read: "For legal services, \$25."

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"Certainly, sweetheart," replied Louise. "Of course I will."

"The way I figure it," the groom-to-be added. "you're gonna have to make at least \$60."

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WEAK

And there's the one about the third grade teacher who told her arithmetic class that the next day they would begin carrying numbers in addition examples, when a little boy solemnly declared, "Miss Johnson, I may not be able to carry too much; I haven't been feeling so strong lately."



"We can expect a cold winter this year."

Hale!

PEOPLE

Two houseflies were conversing and the first said, "Sylvester, aren't people funny?"

"Yes, George," said Sylvester, "but what made you think about it just now?"

"Well," replied George, "I was just thinking how much money they spent building a beautiful ceiling like this —and then they walk on the floor."

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THE WOMEN

A woman's hat tells you something about her, including whether her husband was along when she bought it.

THE TRUTH

Nearly every motorist has been in the position of this applicant for a driver's license. He wrote "No" to the question, "Have you ever been arrested?" And then was stumped for a moment by the question that followed—"Why?" In a moment of truth he wrote down, "I just wasn't caught."

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AT LAST

A store clerk was handed a pay envelope which, by error, contained a blank check.

The astonished clerk looked at it and moaned: "Just what I thought would happen. My deductions have at last caught up with my salary."

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WRONG DRAWER

A housewife was complaining to the repairman about her new washer and dryer that was supposed to be so wonderful it did everything but scrub the kitchen floor.

The repairman put a few shirts and socks into the machine and turned on the switch. The machine proceeded to wash the clothing, dry it, fold the pieces neatly and flip them across the room where they landed neatly in the left-hand dresser drawer.

"Well," asked the repairman, "What's wrong with that?"

"I'll tell you what's wrong with that," screamed the housewife. "I always keep my husband's socks in the right-hand drawer!"



"I think she wants to set."



"Here comes an easy sale."

EDITORIALS

The Record

North Carolinians, along with millions of other Americans, will continue a good healthy habit next month: They'll go to the polls and decide once again who will represent them in Congress and in many lesser posts.

Wherever there is a contest, someone will win and someone will lose. But one never knows just why the voters choose one candidate over another.

Whatever the reasons—and we realize there are many—the voting record of the incumbents is surely one of them. That's why, every two years, we publish the voting records of the contested incumbents—in regard to the rural electrification and natural resource programs.

You'll find these voting records on pages 9 and 10 of this issue. We've published them before and we now bring them up to date.

We realize that publication of these voting records will have little if any real effect in some of the districts—if history is any key. Nevertheless, we think it is always good, when it comes time to cast a ballot, to take inventory of a man's record thus far achieved. If doing this in one year has no appreciable influence on the election outcome, it might in years to come.

We also realize that a man's record on the rural electrification and natural resources program is just *part* of his total record. A congressman must vote on many many issues. The voters are, of course, interested in how he votes on them all.

But certainly, as we've said before, rural electric consumers have a special reason for looking closely at how their officials vote on these particular programs.

Welcome

We welcome to our family of readers the 2800 members of Cornelius Electric Membership Corporation, who receive the *Carolina Farmer* for the first time this month.

Cornelius EMC, with headquarters at Cornelius, has members in seven counties: Iredell, Rowan, Catawba, Lincoln, Cabarrus, Gaston, and Mecklenburg.

The addition of these new readers to the list boosts the *Farmer's* circulation to a healthy 138,000, one of the largest circulations of any publication in the South.

They Have Plan, Too



TARHEEL VIEWS

By
William T. Crisp



Just how conscientiously do you tend to the business of your electric membership corporation? Here are a few questions by which you might test yourself:

Do you read your meter and send in the reading promptly where that is the practice? You should. Late meter cards cause an unnecessary expense to your co-op—and thus to you.

Do you pay your power bill by the deadline? You should. Every late payment runs up the operating cost of your business.

Do you report outages promptly? The longer you wait, the longer the power will stay out.

Do you cooperate when your system needs a new right-of-way to serve someone else or to improve the location of existing lines? You ought to. It saves your cooperative many dollars if you do.

Are you buying electric instead of gas appliances? If you are, you not only get more economical equipment, you take advantage of the lower per-KWH rate which higher KWH usage means.

Do you ask your co-op for special

privileges? You certainly ought not to. The cooperative way is equal rights for all, special privileges for none.

Do you attend your co-op's annual meetings and participate in the election of directors? If you don't, you surely should. That's the one time each year that you, the member, may exercise your equal voting right as the owner.

Do you keep yourself informed as to the condition and problems of your electric membership corporation? Do you read its newsletter and special reports when mailed to you? Do you read the *Carolina Farmer* pages dealing with co-op subjects? You should. These are the true "voices" of your own business. They contain much information, and a man's judgement is no better than his information.

Do you defend your cooperative when it is unjustly attacked or criticized by others? You certainly should. If you, its member and owner, don't defend it, who will?

Do you keep your state and national officials informed of your thinking on issues affecting the rural electrification program? How will they know how they should vote if you don't?

Most co-op members, I suppose, can answer most of these questions "yes." But the best, the most faithful member can answer "yes" to them all.

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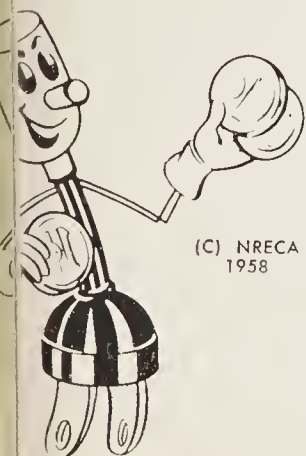
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